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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 20, 2004, please consider the remarks as submitted herewith on the accompanying pages.

REMARKS

Claims 1-32 are all the claims pending in the application.

Claims 1 and 9 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by USP 6,611,825 to Billheimer et al. Claims 2-8 and 10-32 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C 103(a) as being unpatentable over Billheimer in view of USP 6,029,195 to Herz. Applicants respectfully traverse these rejections and objections, and request reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims in view of the following arguments.